

Interesting Items Carefully Selected from the Leading Dailies.

A woman named Mrs. Anita Kapchowski started from the statehouse steps of Massachusetts a few days ago to make a trip around the world in fifteen months, starting without a cent and returning with a stipulated sum, the amount of which is not disclosed. The trip is to settle a wager of \$20,000 to \$10,000 that it cannot be done.

Judge Hazen of the Shawnee county, Kan., district court, has decided what is known in insurance circles as the "reciprocal tax" case, holding that the claim made by the Kansas insurance department of the right to collect a tax on the gross premiums received by New York fire insurance companies in Kansas was illegal.

Hon. J. V. Lewis, ex-chairman of the Democratic congressional committee, caused a political sensation at Alliance, O., recently by endorsing "Gen." Coxey's candidacy for congress in that district. He says Democrats generally will support Coxey and that the regular Democratic convention will endorse him.

Zimri Dwigliffe, president; W. G. Bently, vice president; and John Green, assistant cashier of the Columbia national bank of Chicago, which failed a year ago, have just been indicted by the grand jury on a charge of receiving deposits when they knew the bank was insolvent.

Neal Craig, Philip Jordan and Stark Shields have been jailed at Selma, Ala. They enticed a negro boy, 16 years old, from his home and all three jumped on him and beat his brains out with clubs. The only excuse given is jealousy over a girl.

The statement of foreign commerce for the month of May shows that we exported but 60 per cent as much wheat as in May, 1893, and the average price at export points was only 63 cents per bushel, against 78 cents a year ago.

John Hanson Craig, professionally known as John Powers, the Kentucky giant, died a few days ago at his home in Danville, Ind. He was a museum attraction for twenty years, and weighed 700 pounds. He was 46 years old.

Advises report 1200 deaths from the plague in Hong Kong, China, from May 1 to June 7, 280 being under treatment. The total number of cases since the outbreak is about 1480.

Early the other morning the women at Waco, Pa., massed themselves and made a charge upon the work train, but before any serious damage was done the guards drove them off.

A Cleveland turnkey entered a prisoner's cell the other day unexpectedly and found him sorting over six dozen fine saws, a saw frame and tools enough to cut the jail to pieces.

At Galesburg, Ill., a cyclone recently wrecked many buildings. The grand stand at the new race track was blown down and several barns were wrecked.

The railroad employees throughout the country are refusing to handle Pullman palace cars. It looks like an universal strike.

Americans have bought several tracts of coffee lands near Tacotalpan, Vera Cruz, and Canton Guatula, in Mexico.

In Louisiana the negroes have an organization known as "black-captains." They operate only among their own race.

Two men, two women and two children were drowned by the capsizing of a catboat near Brooklyn, N. Y., recently.

A few days since Christopher Gross was drowned in a canal at Toledo, O., while teaching some young men to swim.

La Bonanza gold mine near Alta Sonora, Mexico, has been sold to Americans for \$50,000 in gold, cash down.

The body of a beautiful girl was taken from the Merimack river near St. Louis recently. She was not identified.

The trial of Cesario Santo, the anarchist assassin of President Carnot, is to take place at Lyons on July 23.

At Sausal, Sonora, Mexico, a rich gold placer mine, long abandoned, is again being successfully worked.

Recently Samuel and Ada Hookman, boys, were drowned in Embarras river, near Sumner, Ill.

Christopher Averill was drowned in Maumee river recently at Toledo, O., by the capsizing of his boat.

John Fry, a farmer of Vernon county, Mo., lost an eye by a collision of buggies a few days ago.

Factories and crops about Anderson, Ind., were recently badly damaged by wind and rain.

Lightning struck the Methodist church at Roscius, Miss., recently, doing some damage.

RAN INTO A FREIGHT.

ONE MAN KILLED AND SEVERAL OTHERS HURT.

An Oklahoma Postmaster in Trouble. A Very Doubtful Story About Ex-Treasurer Burke of Louisiana—Storm in Arkansas and Tennessee.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The Chesapeake and Ohio express, bound for Cincinnati and St. Louis, which left here at 2:35 p. m. Saturday over the Richmond and Danville tracks, ran into the rear of a freight train at the siding near Rapidan, Va., at 4:05 p. m. Both trains were badly damaged, and K. W. Folley, general passenger agent, sustained a fracture of both legs above the ankle and was badly bruised. A brakeman, also riding on the baggage car, was severely injured and a tramp killed. Congressman Bellamy Storer of Cincinnati was on the train with his wife, who was taken suddenly ill.

He Jumped to Death.

NEW YORK, June 28.—The body of a drowned man picked up Tuesday afternoon in the East river off the Brooklyn navy yard, was identified as that of Harry Cox, 21 years of age, who lived at Hoboken, N. J., and who lost his life by jumping from the Brooklyn bridge on Friday last. The identification was made by the young man's stepmother, Mrs. Kate Cox, with whom he resided. Mrs. Cox said that her stepson had attended a circus performance in Jersey City the day before the fatal leap. He had talked at length about the wonderful jumping and leaping he had witnessed, and she thinks that this turned his head and he became possessed of the idea that he could make himself famous by jumping from the bridge. He was somewhat weak-minded and was subject to attacks of epilepsy.

Very Doubtful.

NEW ORLEANS, La., July 2.—An evening paper publishes the sensational story that Major H. A. Burke, ex-state treasurer, is in the city. An up-town hotel is given as authority, who says that he conversed with the major, who told him he was ready to emerge from concealment upon being guaranteed immunity from criminal prosecution, and that if he revealed himself he would add to the bomb shells now being fired about in New Orleans, and that they would be a kind either to cause the greatest slaughter or the biggest stampede yet known in this city of excitement.

Postmaster in Trouble.

ANN ARBOR, I. T., July 2.—Joshua Copeland, the postmaster of Waynoka, Ok., had an examining trial before Commissioner Gibbons Saturday and was held under \$1000 bond. He was technically charged with allowing and forging postoffice money orders. Copeland is a man 45 years old and seems to take his arrest very hard. Inspector Bebo has been hunting him for two weeks and during that time has wired over 3000 words in endeavoring to apprehend him. Copeland goes to Paris in charge of Deputies Hooker and Lilly.

A Severe Storm.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 2.—A wind storm of unusual severity swept over the eastern portion of Arkansas and western Tennessee last night. Telegraph, telephone and trolley wires were prostrated in Memphis and street car traffic seriously crippled. Steamboats were blown from their moorings on the river and drifted helplessly before the wind. Five barges of coal were sunk near Jackson Almond Park.

Picked Battle.

LAFORTE, Ind., July 2.—In a battle between Cullum Bros., storekeepers, and two burglars at Mill Creek, one of the burglars was instantly killed and the other one was fatally injured. One of them was James Carr. The dead man is not known. Neither of the Cullums was hit, though shot at a number of times.

A Victim of Indian Play.

CAMDEN, N. J., June 27.—Charley Beney, 12 years old, who was burned at the stake by some boys who were playing Indians some months ago, died yesterday from the effects of his injuries. The boys who inflicted the torture have been sent to the reform school.

A Girl Hanged Herself.

STURDIS, Ky., June 30.—Miss Hattie Erika, a prominent young lady of Caseyville, hung herself with a rope in the barn of her brother-in-law, William Pickens, yesterday. An unfortunate love affair is the reason assigned for the rash act.

New Canal Company.

COLOS, June 29.—An official cablegram has been received here stating that a new company has been formed in Paris for the completion of the Panama canal.

Accuses Her Father.

TEXARKANA, Ark., June 29.—J. D. Goldman of Boggy, a small village on

the Texarkana and Shreveport railroad fifteen miles south of here, was brought here and lodged in the county jail last night. He was arrested on a warrant sworn out by his own daughter, a girl of 15 years, charging him with the perpetration of a nameless crime in May, 1893. In August of that year the girl eloped with and married a young man much against her father's wishes, and afterward informed her husband of her father's crime. The latter told her to keep quiet about the matter and that he would continue to live with her provided she would never again speak to Goldman. This she promised, but about a month ago she resumed friendly relations with her father and her husband accordingly deserted her. Then the story leaked out and she was induced to make the affidavit for her father's arrest. The preliminary trial is to take place to-morrow. Goldman is aged 47 and is living with his second wife, a young woman of 25, to whom he was married five years ago. He stoutly protests his innocence.

Two Men are Killed.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., June 30.—Shortly after 4 o'clock p. m. yesterday fire broke out in Woodruff's store on Furman street. The firemen were enabled to prevent the flames from communicating to the adjoining stores, "E," "K," "D," the Union ferry company's building. The storehouse saved contained the most valuable portion of merchandise. About 8 o'clock yesterday evening, when the firemen were in hopes the fire was under control, the flames burst forth with greater force, and it at once became evident that the buildings "E" and "H" were doomed. It was about 9 p. m. that the south wall of the warehouse "K" was seen to bulge out and a moment later it fell with a crash. There were four men, employees of the ferry company, who were on a trestle work which runs through the yard. They were playing a hose on the company's property when the wall fell. Three of them were caught beneath the falling wall, while the fourth jumped and escaped. A rescue party was formed, which in a short time succeeded in bringing their limp bodies out of the debris. Two of them had been killed outright, while the third man received injuries which will probably result in his death. The following is the list: Dead—John C. Barrow, James Prentice, Injured—Samuel Solan, right leg cut off below the knee, will probably die; Andrew Miller, cut about the shoulder. At about midnight the flames were thought to be under control. The burned buildings were valued at \$75,000, while the value of their contents was \$1,000,000, said to be fully covered by insurance.

Cassimir-Perier Elected.

VERSAILLES, June 28.—Cassimir-Perier was elected president of the French republic yesterday afternoon in succession to M. Carnot, the victim of an anarchistic hate. The election was made by the senate and chamber of deputies sitting in the national assembly in the great hall of the palace of Versailles, that has been the scene of so many stirring events. The hall was filled with spectators an hour before the session began, and among the diplomatic corps.

A Mexican Duel.

NEW LAREDO, Mex., June 28.—A killing took place at El Torito, twelve miles from this city. Two rural guards stationed in New Laredo became involved in a personal matter and agreed to go into the country and settle their difficulty. The first shot killed Victor, the victim, instantly. The shooter has made good his escape. As soon as it was known to the authorities they were in hot pursuit of the killer.

Indiana Cyclones.

CINCINNATI, O., June 29.—A special says that at North Vernon, Ind., a tremendous windstorm uprooted trees, destroyed fences, unroofed houses and spread devastation over that section. There was no loss of life. At Bloomington a storm a quarter of a mile wide and a mile long prevailed. Barns were blown down and considerable stock killed. Madison, Ind., was also visited.

Quadruplets.

ALEXANDRIA, La., June 29.—Mrs. Hilton, wife of a well known farmer who resides four miles from Wordworth's station, this parish, gave birth Wednesday to four children weighing nine pounds each—two boys and two girls.

Convicted of False Pretense.

FRANKFORT, Ind., June 29.—The jury in the case of banker John W. Paris has returned a verdict of guilty of false pretense, as charged in the indictment, and he was sentenced to six years in prison and fined \$1000.

Prices Raised.

PEORIA, Ill., June 30.—The Distilling and Cattle Feeders' company advanced prices of goods 3 cents a gallon yesterday on account of greatly increased demand because of the action of the senate increasing the tax

MR. WILSON'S RETURN

UNDERSTANDING AMONG MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE.

They Want the Original Tariff Bill Passed—Senator Blanchard on the Sugar Schedule—The Union, Central and Sioux City Pacific Debt.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Chairman Wilson's return to congressional work has brought about a definite understanding among members of the ways and means committee on the essential features of now the tariff bill is to be handled when it returns to the house. There has been no formal meeting of the committee as yet and no resolution defining the programme has been passed, but the plan of procedure is not the less definitely understood. The bill will be sent to conference without any effort to secure agreement in a whole or in part of the house. The feeling is so strong toward standing by the Wilson bill and resisting the protective encroachments made by the senate that the most influential members of the committee say the Wilson bill in its substantial and essential features will be the rock upon which the committee will plant itself with the house behind it.

Sugar Schedule.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Senator Blanchard regards the prospect for holding the sugar schedule in its present shape satisfactory. He thinks the Democratic members of the finance committee will recede from their determination to bring into the senate their proposed modifications of the schedule, changing the date when the schedule shall go into effect, and virtually striking out the additional one tenth of a cent duty on sugar imported from countries paying a bounty. Mr. Blanchard was at the capitol early Saturday, but went immediately to the house side, where he was evidently of the opinion that there is a field for operation. He did not say he had any promise from the committee when spoken to upon the subject, but he expressed himself as very confident that the amendments would not be offered in the senate and that the question as to the sugar bounty, including these points, would be settled by the conference between the two houses.

Pacific Debt.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The house committee on Pacific railroads again considered the funding bill Saturday without reaching any result. Next Saturday a hearing will be given at the request of Representative Blair of New Hampshire to representatives of the Sioux City and Pacific, which owes a debt to the government of about \$3,000,000. Its bonds for \$1,600,000 are guaranteed by the government, it having been built as a part of the Pacific system, and the government has paid interest on it. Its debt is in the same condition as those of the Central and Union Pacific, maturing at the same time. There is a first mortgage for \$1,800,000 so that the government's claim, as in the case of all other roads, is but a second lien, while the first loan nearly equals the value of the property. A separate bill will be recommended by the committee to settle the Sioux road's indebtedness.

New Mexican Statehood.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Among the bills that passed the house yesterday was one for the relief of the trustees of the Presbyterian church of Bethel Springs, Tenn., on account of the occupation of the church by union troops in the civil war. A bill also passed to amend the judiciary act of Aug. 13, 1888. The bill provides that receivers or managers appointed by United States courts may be sued without the permission of the appointing court, just as the original corporation might have been sued. Several naval bills were passed, and the bill for the admission of New Mexico was taken up. It passed without division. The house then took up the bill to construct a hall of records in this city. At 4:15 the quorum disappeared, and the house adjourned.

The Wagon-Track Contest.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—With the exception of a short time yesterday in the house was consumed by a filibuster over the contested election cases of Watson against Black of the ninth Georgia district. The filibuster was led by Representative Pence, a populist, who contested every inch of ground over after the aid of the committee on rules had been invoked. The tangle was finally straightened out and the resolution of the committee on elections, declaring Mr. Black elected, was agreed to, only the Populists dissenting.

Income Tax Trade.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Only eleven senators were in the chamber when Vice President Stevenson rapped to order yesterday. Twenty minutes were spent awaiting the appearance of a quorum. A bill to amend the act providing for the times and places

for holding terms of the United States court in the state of Washington was passed. Then the debate on the income tax provisions of the tariff bill was resumed. The pending amendment was that of Mr. Allison to exempt corporations, companies or associations having a capital stock of less than \$100,000. Mr. Hill immediately took the floor. The theory of this income tax, he said, was that the incomes from individual investments, unless they exceeded \$1000, should not be subject to the tax. But no such limitations existed, as to corporations. He could see no reason for the distinction. He thought some amendments had been adopted that would give a small corporation the same exemption granted to individuals. The amendment was finally withdrawn. Mr. Hear offered an amendment to exclude from the operation of the tax joint stock companies whose members receive as a share of the profits less than \$1000 each. Lost, 20 to 24. Mr. Hill again modified his former amendment so as to reduce the exemption to \$1000. Lost, 23 to 32.

Bills Reported Back.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—At the opening of the senate yesterday the joint resolution appointing Charles M. Anderson of Greenville, O., Sidney G. Cook of Harrison, Kan., and A. L. Pearson of Pittsburg, members of the board of managers of the national home of disabled volunteers was passed. Mr. Sherman's resolution of yesterday, directing the committee on interstate commerce to inquire into the advisability of regulating by law the use of sleeping and parlor cars was adopted also. The joint resolution continuing the annual appropriations thirty days after June 30 was adopted. The tariff bill was taken up and Mr. Vest moved an amendment to repeal the reciprocity features of the McKinley bill. Agreed to. Senator Fieder offered as a new section the amendment laying a tax of 200 per cent on all aliens landing in the United States to engage in industrial occupations. Tables 4 to 12. Mr. Jones then asked unanimous consent to make a number of amendments overlooked as the bill was being considered. The amendments were agreed to as fast as read. Most of them were unimportant. The duty on silk (paragraph 288) partially manufactured from cocoons was fixed at 30 per cent, thrown or spun silk 35 per cent, velvets, chenilles and other pile fabrics \$1.50 per square yard. The reciprocity relating to the duty on petroleum was changed so as to make the duty to be levied against petroleum imported from countries imposing a duty on American petroleum 30 per cent. The section of the internal revenue was amended so as to prohibit liquors made of sugars and molasses being entered in bonded warehouse. The duty on precious stones, cut but not set, was fixed at 25 per cent; if set, 30 per cent; uncut precious stones, 10 per cent. The tariff bill was reported to the senate at 5:45 p. m. Mr. Manderson moved to adjourn until Monday. The motion was lost, 26 to 35, but in the executive session which followed the motion was agreed to, and at 6:10 the senate adjourned until Monday.

A Sugar Schedule.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The amended sugar schedule which will probably be offered when the tariff bill is taken up in the senate was put into shape by Senator Jones yesterday. It was accepted by all to whom it was shown except Senator Blanchard. The amendment as prepared changes date when the sugar schedule shall go into effect from the 1st of January to the time of the passage of the bill, and provides for a continuation of a part of the bounty for the present year, giving 3-10 of a cent bounty per pound on the sugar testing above 90 degrees by the polariscope and 8-10 of a cent on sugar testing below 90 degrees and above 80 degrees. The secretary of the treasury is also authorized to refrain from imposing the additional duty of 1-10 of a cent upon sugar imported from countries paying export bounty where it is demonstrated to his satisfaction that the producer has not received the bounty. Senator Blanchard's objection is understood to be based upon the ground that a part of the bounty of 2 cents for the present year is withdrawn, but the aim of the framers of the bill is to avoid giving double protection to this article, and they agree that if the duty is to go into effect immediately the bounty should be abated to the extent of the protection afforded by the 40 per cent duty which the sugar schedule as at present arranged will afford. There are one or two Democratic members of the finance committee to whom the amendments have not been submitted.

Labor Day.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—Another legal holiday has been added to the list of those now existing, so far as congress has the power to do so, as on motion of Mr. McCann, the senate bill making labor day a national holiday was passed. The house sent into committee of the whole and the deficiency bill was taken up.